

DOCTORAL SCHOOL OF LAW

Doctoral programme of Law

Admission requirements

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Candidates can apply before their final examination in case they would pass it at least until 2nd of July, 2026.

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Foreign students can apply to the individual (correspondence) training, too. They must have a university degree (MA) in law.

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Deadline for the application: 16th of March 2026 – 15th of May 2026

Date of the entrance examination: the second half of June 2026

Fees:

Application fee (covers the administration costs of the application procedure, not refundable): 9000 HUF.

Tuition fee: 150.000 HUF per semester

Students must have a passport valid for at least a year from the beginning of the academic year and visa if required.

Doctoral programme of Criminology (in Hungarian)

Admission requirements

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